

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES
LICENSE INSEPECTOR'S REPORT**

LICENSE NUMBER: L186-50163

POLICE FILE NUMBER: 13261

DATE OF APPLICATION: May 16, 2012

INSPECTOR: Greg Buenning

APPLICANT/LEGAL ENTITY: Kinsen, Inc.

DBA/TRADE NAME: Kinsen Noodle Shop and Bar

COMPLETE ADDRESS: 1300 Lagoon Avenue, Suite 150
Minneapolis, MN 55408

LICENSE REQUESTED: Permanent Expansion of Premises

CURRENT LICENSE: Class "E" On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales

RESPONSIBLE PERSON WITHIN 75 MILES OF MINNEAPOLIS CITY HALL: Yes

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS: A public hearing is required

NEIGHBORHOOD/WARD: Lowry Hills East/Ward Ten

ZONING: C3A/PO

7 ACRE REQUIREMENT: Met

OFF-STREET PARKING: zoning requires 27 off-street parking spaces. This is met.

CHURCHES OR SCHOOLS WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE PROPOSED PREMISES: No

SEATING: 20 (Outdoor Patio)

FOOD SERVICE REQUIREMENT: 60/40

HOURS OF OPERATION PROPOSED: INSIDE: 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Sun-Thur
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Fri-Sat
OUTSIDE: 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES: None

HISTORY OF LOCATION

This suite has been utilized as office space prior to Kinsen Noodle Shop and Bar moving into this suite, and since 2011 as restaurant space with Kinsen.

POLICE REVIEW

Police Licensing and this Inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture. The applicant has also passed a criminal background check.

PREMISES

The premises that Kinsen Noodle Shop and Bar currently operates consists of 2,100 square feet. The dining area has 70 seats available for patrons. They also have a bar that will seat 6 patrons. The total interior seating is 76. The fire code capacity for this premise is 93. They also have a sidewalk café which consists of four two-top tables. If approved, the outdoor patio area will be located on a space between 1300 Lagoon Avenue and 1320 Lagoon Avenue. It will have approximately 550 square feet and will have 20 seats available for customers consisting of three four-top tables and four two-top tables. The applicant has exclusive rights for the space requested.

BUSINESS/PLAN/OPERATIONS

The applicant intends to operate the business in the same manner they have since 2011. The only change to their business plan is that, if the expansion of premises is approved the hours of operation will be 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily.

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY

A public hearing is required for this application. 30 public hearing notices were mailed out to residents and property owners within 300 feet of the premises and e-mailed to the CARAG Neighborhood Association and the Lowry Hill East Neighborhood Association on May -, 2012. Business Licenses received no responses to the public hearing notices that were sent out. The public hearing was held on June 14, 2012, at Grace-Trinity Community Church, 1430 28th Street West at 6:00 p.m. The only attendees were the business owners and Council Member Meg Tuthill.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division make the following recommendation for the application for Kinsen Noodle Shop and Bar. The license application for a permanent expansion of premises is recommended for approval.